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## TWO INDEPENDENCE RESIDENTS INDICTED IN METH MANUFACTURING CONSPIRACY

**KANSAS CITY, Mo.** – Todd P. Graves, United States Attorney for the Western District of Missouri, announced that two Independence, Mo., residents were indicted by a federal grand jury today for conspiracy to manufacture methamphetamine.

**Philip C. Widdowson**, 44, and **Kimberly C. Worley**, 37, both of Independence, were charged in a five-count indictment returned by a federal grand jury in Kansas City.

Count One of the federal indictment alleges that **Widdowson** and **Worley** conspired to manufacture 50 grams or more of methamphetamine between Nov. 2, 2002, and Aug. 13, 2003.

Count Two of the federal indictment alleges that **Widdowson** and **Worley** aided and abetted each other and others in the manufacture of methamphetamine on Nov. 2, 2002, to Dec. 5, 2002.

Count Three of the federal indictment alleges that **Widdowson** manufactured five grams or more of methamphetamine between March 17, 2003, and April 17, 2003, at 1602 S. Evanston, in Independence.

Count Four of the federal indictment alleges that **Widdowson** and **Worley** aided and abetted each other and others in the manufacture of five grams or more of methamphetamine between March 17, 2003, and April 17, 2003, at 928 S. Northern, in Independence.

Count Five of the federal indictment alleges that **Widdowson** and **Worley** aided and abetted each other and others in the manufacture of five grams or more of methamphetamine between July 13, 2003, and Aug. 13, 2003.

Graves cautioned that the charges contained in the indictment are simply accusations, and

not evidence of guilt. Evidence supporting the charges must be presented to a federal trial jury, whose duty is to determine guilt or innocence.

This case is being prosecuted by Special Assistant U.S. Attorney Matthew P. Wolesky. It was investigated by the Independence, Mo., Police Department.

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